

THERE are 11,000 one-legged men in the United States.

Ten inches of snow fell the other day at Lexington, Ky.

The latest fashionable amusement in England is mule-riding.

Ex-Governor Lowe, of Iowa, died at Washington City on the 22d ult.

A man named Simms was frozen to death in Atlanta, Ga., the other day.

JAY GOULD figures his losses in stocks at various times at over \$100,000,000.

The clergy of Yonkers denounce Mr. Beecher and his words as infamous.

PRESIDENT FILLMORE's mansion at Buffalo is to be turned into a boarding house.

SECRETARY FOLGER is better and has appeared at his office to resume his duties.

Two boy burglars, not yet in their teens, were in jail the other day at Cleveland.

THERE have been 109 murders in Leadville since it opened up as a mining camp.

LONDON Bible societies have given away 4,989,660 copies of the scriptures this year.

In New York lilac sprays were selling last week at \$1.50, and lilacs of the valley \$1.00.

It is said that the two moons of Mars are not more than ten miles each in diameter.

THREE out of every five newspapers in Michigan favor the restoration of capital punishment.

Mrs. GEN. ROSCHANS is dead, and her funeral took place at Washington City on the 27th ult.

MATTHEW ARNOLD now says the Americans are "great, intelligent, sensual, avicious."

The ground in California is so dry that a cloud of dust follows every plow that is running.

A CRYING baby at the public meeting is like a good suggestion—it ought to be carried out.

A SAN ANTONIO court quashed an indictment in which a single horse was described as a team.

It is stated that five thousand persons have died from fever in Sonora and Sinaloa, New Mexico.

A SALOONKEEPER in Marin county, Cal., charges for watering stock, and throws in beer and other drinks.

DURING the first five months of the present fiscal year the total internal revenue collections were \$51,279,438.

A SEVERE gale the other night did great damage to the town of Gibraltar, and also to shipping in the harbor.

THE least destructible portion of the human is the hair. In Egypt it has been known to survive 4,000 years.

THE Infidel tries to make the world useful to himself—the Christian tries to make himself useful to the world.

The citizens of Gadsden, Tenn., are afflicted with the small-pox. Out of twenty-six cases, fourteen have died.

A BUZZARD with a bell on its neck is frightening people in Maryland. They take it to be the Angel of Death.

It is stated that Denver is about organizing a lions' club. We had not thought that Denver was ready to own up.

The last raid on North Carolina moonshiners yielded three distilleries and 6,500 gallons of beer, but no prisoners.

HENRY CURTIN was murdered the other night at Petersburg, Pike Co., Ind., and Charles Harvey is suspected of the crime.

THERE were eighteen murders in Kentucky in November as against thirty in October and twenty-seven in September.

It is claimed that Saturn is a thousand times larger than the earth, but the materials composing it are no heavier than cork.

A NEW through line from Chicago to New York, via the Grand Trunk and West Shore roads, will be inaugurated next month.

BUZZARDS are reported so plentiful near Hollister, Cal., that large limbs of trees are frequently broken by their united weight.

MISS MARTHA WILLIAMS, 21 years old, because of unrequited love, shot herself in a barn the other morning in Elbridge county, Ill.

A LOG cut in Suwannee county, Fla., required sixteen mules to haul it, and made 50,000 feet of lumber. This is a big tree story.

The recent snow storm reported in central Illinois was the heaviest known in years, and a consequent delay of railroad trains.

EX-GOV. ENGLISH, of Connecticut, who started out in life as a carpenter, is now worth \$6,000,000, and is the richest man in his state.

It is claimed that a conductor on the Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia road is worth \$50,000. He has been at the business a long time.

HENRY STOCKER, of Southwark, Mass., fell dead while in a fit of passion, caused by the refusal of his 11-year-old son to obey him.

WM. K. NELSON distributed bibles in the vicinity of Millersburg, Ohio, and stole horses nights. They found him out finally and jailed him.

The North Pacific whale catch this season was 11,200 barrels of oil, 162,244 pounds of bone and 310,000 pounds of ivory, all worth \$800,000.

MARY DUNK of Danville, N. Y., for six years unable to speak or rise from her bed, is now out walking and talking—the result, she says, of prayer.

The anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims was observed on the 22d by the Pilgrim society on Pilgrim's point.

A. THOS. Russell presiding.

WALNUT planting is receiving great attention in California. The nuts are marketable, and when the trees are fit to cut down they sell for big money.

The largest apple tree in the world is opposite the junction of the Maumee and Auglaize Rivers, at Defiance, Ohio. It is six feet four inches in diameter.

JAMES ANDERSON was arrested the other night at Chicago and locked up on a telegram from Leavenworth, Kan., where he is wanted for embezzlement.

A DESERTED dandy rushed into a ball room at Alviso, Colorado, the other night and threw a pan of molasses upon the shirt front of her faithful lover.

A YOUNG married couple were found fast asleep in their chairs when the janitor went around to turn off the gas after a concert in New Lisbon, Ohio.

JOHN RIELEY, of Frederick county, Va., will be 107 years old on the 25th of Jan. '84. He is in excellent health and frequently walks to Winchester, ten miles distant.

DEMOCRATS and republicans of Salt Lake united in a public meeting the other evening to endorse President Arthur's recommendation for a legislative council for Utah.

A TRAIN broke through a bridge on the Chester & Lenon Narrow Gauge railroad in North Carolina. Joseph Henderson, fireman, and William Simmons, a brakeman, were killed.

The Mormon organ at Salt Lake says that God struck Congressman Haskell with a strange, mysterious, incurable disease because he was conspicuous in anti-Mormon legislation.

The official canvass of the vote of Dakota in adopting the state constitution was made the other day at Yankton, showing a total of 19,150, with a majority for the constitution of 5,522.

EDMUND and Frank Long, two oil men of Bradford, Pa., were drowned the other day in Duck creek, Ohio, while trying to reach Marietta in a skiff. The bodies have not been recovered.

Mrs. JUDITH FITZPATRICK, an aged widow, living near Leocompton, Kas., was murdered at her home the other night, and an attempt made to burn the house, with the purpose of concealing the crime.

A TORONTO man died of small-pox twenty-six years ago, and last week his grandchild slept upon the same bed and took the disease. The doctor says the germs of the disease were there all that time.

JESSE CLEMENT, of Chicago, an old newspaper man and the first editor of the Dubuque Daily Times, in 1857, and was extensively known through Iowa, died at Butler, Mo., very suddenly on the 25th ult.

A SALE was recently made of 32,000 acres of land in Stafford county, near Great Bend, Kansas, for \$100,000. It was purchased by capitalists at Stanton, Va., for the purpose of establishing a colony of Dunkards.

MOSES TAYLOR, of Unionville, N. Y., built a big barn, which his neighbors wanted him to paint. "Paint it yourself," was his reply, which he did one dark night, putting on all the colors in the chromatic scale.

THERE is a one-legged Confederate soldier in Georgia who has never drawn any pension from the state, because all of his command were killed and there is no one to certify to his having been in the army.

JOHN S. ANSTETZ and two daughters, of Cleveland, Ohio, were out sleighing on the 25th ult., near Bufington and while crossing the Lake Erie and Western track were struck by an express train and all killed.

CHAR. SOWERS, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, shot himself through the heart the other morning. Cause dependency; also, Mrs. R. W. Auburn attempted suicide by cutting her throat. She will die. Cause, family trouble.

The Christian convention recently held at Philadelphia to form an anti-secret society league denounced Masonry particularly, and resolved that the G. A. R. was "an insidious, dangerous and useless form of secret organization."

A VERY large number of postoffices have recently been added to what is known in the department as fourth-class and assigned to the presidential grade. These grades have been increased mostly in the central and western states.

A FIRE at Kearney, Neb., on the evening of the 25th ult., burning the tenant house of F. W. Wilson and the house of W. Nash, and most of the furniture destroyed. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss is estimated at \$1,500.

The family of Henry Hagedorn, of Cleveland, Ohio, was found suffocated with coal gas in their residence the other morning. Mrs. Hagedorn and a 9-year-old girl were dead, while the father and two other children were unconscious, but soon recovered.

Mrs. ANDREW KOEHLER, a young woman, was found dead in bed the other morning and shockingly mutilated in her home near Indianapolis. Her husband, with whom she lived unhappily, has been imprisoned for the crime, and tells conflicting stories.

It is stated by one learned in such matters, that the air of the equator is tending always toward the poles, while that from the poles moves as constantly toward the equator—Where the currents clash, rotation ensues and storm centers are formed.

THERE must be some very bad people living in Indiana. The last report from one of them says James Dyer, of Owen county, is on trial at Terre Haute for burning his house with his two crippled children, who were in the way of his second marriage.

PHILADELPHIA's new post-office, which is soon to be occupied, cost about \$8,000,000. Its dimensions are 175 feet and 9 inches on Chestnut street, 175 feet and 1 inch on Market street, and 484 feet on Ninth street; height of the dome above the curb, 170 feet.

GEN. GRANT, on leaving home in New York city on the 27th ult., slipped upon the ice and fell, receiving a severe shock and seriously injuring his thigh. The surgeons say that no bones were broken, but think the limb will be paralyzed for the time being.

THE Ponca Journal reports a discovery of coal in Dixon county by Prof. Perrigone. The vein is about eight inches thick and of a good quality. There is hardly enough of it to create much excitement among the Poncas. It is like the gold in the Platte river.

THE most stylish turn-out on Seventh Avenue, New York, is U. S. Grant, jr.'s. It is a Russian droshky, such as the General used to drive in Galena, drawn by three Arabian stallions harnessed abreast. The vehicle is decorated with flowing plumes of gold and blue.

THE Porter elevator, owned by John Lindenhof, of Essex, Iowa, was burned the other night and is a total loss. The insurance on building and stock is \$5,500. The cause of the fire is unknown, but believed to have been a hot journal on machinery on the second floor.

N. W. FITZGERALD, S. C. Fitzgerald and A. B. Webb, pension attorneys, indicted by the grand jury at Washington City, appeared in the criminal court the other day and gave bail in \$2,000 each. They have been suspended from practice since bills were found against them.

News from Tombstone, A. T., says that the sheriff arrested there the other evening with Red Sample and Texas Willis, two of the Bisbee murderers and supposed Gage Station train robbers in custody. The attempt to lynch the prisoners failed, and they were safely lodged in jail.

The secretary of the interior, Inspector Benedict, Agent Tufts, and special agent Townsend will go at once to Muscogee, Indian Territory, and investigate the Creek troubles arising from the recent election of a chief, and make recommendations looking to their settlement.

At Baltimore, the other day, Henry Smith, with many aliases, just as he was embarking for Europe, was arrested for robbing Wells & Fargo's express in Nebraska, and the United States mails on the Pacific railroad. The former crime was committed last March, and the latter in September.

Efforts are being made by the Catholics of Denver, to make that city the seat of the largest Jesuit college in America. Twenty-five thousand dollars have already been subscribed toward a fund for the erection of the necessary buildings, and much more is promised under certain conditions.

The senate has confirmed the following postmasters for Nebraska: C. K. Coutant, Omaha; J. M. Davis, Wahoo; W. H. Wiedeman, Norfolk; H. Rice, Albion; P. F. Peterson, Tekamah; G. Little, Plum Creek. Ben C. E. Westall has been appointed railway postal clerk from Omaha to Ogden.

EDWARD DUCHAMEN, of Cincinnati, the other morning stabbed his wife and thought he had killed her and gave himself up to the police. He was locked up, and the case investigated. His wife was not seriously hurt, but in the three weeks she lived with him, he had twice threatened to kill her.

At Beverly, Va., the coroner's jury, after five days' investigation, has found that Mrs. Summerfield and her child, whose remains were found in the ruins of their burned house last week, were murdered before the house was fired, and charged John Flannagan with the murder. He is now in jail.

SOUTH CAROLINA has a local option law which applies to incorporated cities, towns and villages. When a place votes in favor of prohibition it is said to have gone "dry," and when another votes for license it is said to have gone "wet." More than twice as many towns have gone "dry" as have gone "wet."

THE rise and fall of the great lakes is puzzling the old settlers. At Grand Traverse Bay the water slowly rises for seven years, and then recedes for the same length of time. The Sault Ste. Marie Democrat says that the water in the "Soo" is lowering every day. At Traverse City the water is encroaching on the west side of the bay.

ONE of the novelties in London is the literary bracelet. It is made of twelve tiny books (silver or gold), attached to each other by a double chain. Each little book bears the emblem name of a favorite poet or novelist. There are also musical bracelets of the same model, only they, of course, have the names of operas or composers.

MR. BLAND, chairman of the committee on coinage, weights and measures favors recoining the trade dollars into standard dollars and thinks the issuing of the latter should not be stopped. He is of opinion that a mint ought to be established in the Mississippi valley, and on account of the advantages offered by St. Louis, favors that city for the location.

REV. MR. MILLER, of Zion church, Hempstead, L. I., had received no salary for several months, and having nothing to eat, took \$22 of the church money that came into his possession, Boston Globe.

and gave the church credit. They concluded that if he couldn't work for nothing and board himself he should give way to one who could, and appointed Rev. Mr. Hicks in his place.

A reinforcement of 6,300 troops go to Tongkin soon. The government has no information about Sontay being occupied.

News from Hong Kong says the French have captured the principal outposts of Sontay, embracing five strongly fortified villages. The enemy made a stubborn resistance. The French loss was 200 men and fifteen officers killed and wounded. The Chinese still hold the fortress of Sontay, but are surrounded by the French.

Recent news from London says the police declare without foundation the rumor of a plot against Gladstone and for the destruction of public buildings. The precautions are in consequence of vague threats.

The British regiments in Egypt will be filled to the strength of 1,000 men each and seven more regiments are to be ordered to Egypt.

A dispatch from Hong Kong states that the fight at Sontay occurred on the 14th. Two outposts were captured and the citadel surrounded by the French.

MR. CULLOM has introduced in the senate a bill to establish a board of railroad commissioners and to regulate interstate commerce. The board under this bill will consist of five members at a salary each of \$5,000 making a total of \$25,000, rather an expensive method of securing the right. We may be mistaken in our opinion, but we incline strongly to the belief that a plain, road law regulating railroads and interstate commerce would be readily complied with by the railroad authorities and when violated could readily be enforced in the courts without the annual expenditure of \$25,000.

An important and somewhat wonderful compact was signed by the railway officials at Omaha on the 29th ult., and the new organization, the result of their labors, will be known as the Western Trunk Line Association, and embraces the following roads: The Northwestern, the Rock Island, the Missouri Pacific, the Milwaukee, the Wabash, the Illinois Central, the St. Paul & Omaha, and the Union Pacific. The Union Pacific will commence on Tuesday of this week to bill goods direct from Salt Lake to Chicago and all points on the lines of its allies. This new association gives to the Union Pacific the use of twenty-six thousand miles of track, and their eastern allies will use the U. P. track in like manner.

CONGRESSMAN COX, of New York, who was appointed chairman of the house committee on naval affairs, is reported to be dissatisfied with the appointment, and will probably decline to serve on that committee. It is claimed by his friends that twenty-two years' experience in the house entitled him to the chairmanship of foreign affairs, a place which he desired to occupy as he contemplated advising a number of reforms in the line of reducing the number of foreign ministers, investing funds with diplomatic power when necessary, and improving the consular system so as to make it a more powerful agency for the advancement of the commercial interests of the country.

Congressman Springer's friends also report that he is dissatisfied with the chairmanship of the committee on the expenditures of the department of justice, as he desired the chairmanship of the committee on elections. His friends claim that his constituents have been insulted by his omission from all important committees.

HARRISON RAMON lived for many years in Hinckley, Medina county, Ohio, and amassed considerable property, most of which was in cash. He would not trust his money to the keeping of a bank, but hid it about his own premises, keeping the hiding place secret even from his own family. A short time ago he told his wife that he had hidden about \$30,000 in money, and that pretty soon he would inform her of its whereabouts, so that in case of his death she would know where to look for it. He neglected to do this, and about a week after he died of apoplexy. After his death an examination of his papers showed that he had \$335,000 in money all hidden about his premises. The most thorough search failed to reveal the hiding place, and the widow began to despair. Then she was impressed with the notion that if she prayed with faith the Lord would direct her to the place where the money was hidden. On Wednesday she prayed all day and night. On Thursday night she was impelled to go to the beehives, which stood on a bench near the house, and in the excitement of expectation she knocked over one of the hives, disclosing to her view the top of a bench with a pile of greenbacks of large denomination upon it. A search under the denotation hives resulted in finding a total of \$15,000. In the afternoon one of the family dropped a bunch of keys through the barn floor, which necessitated taking up a plank to find them, and when the young man put his hand down he struck a half gallon jar full, which he pulled out to find partly filled with \$20 gold pieces. Other jars and a grain bag were also found containing gold and silver, and when it had all been counted the total amount figured up over \$213,000. The widow was overjoyed, and in her statement to the correspondent said she believed that the discoveries were in direct answer to her prayers.—Boston Globe.

THE annual dinner of the New England Society of Pennsylvania, was held this evening at the Continental Hotel, Philadelphia. Among the guests were President Arthur, Secretary Chandler, Senator Hawley, Rev. Dr. Leonard Woolsey Bacon. In response to the toast, "The President of the United States," General Arthur said: "I confess, Mr. Chairman, that my enjoyment of this annual dinner has been somewhat marred by the knowledge that I should be at this moment dining with my own chapter of this society, and that it has been an act of abandoning my brethren of the New York branch of the society which has brought me within reach of your generous hospitality; but what difference can it make whether I dine in Philadelphia or in New York? The president cannot be in both cities at once. Indeed, I heard it said that it is only a relic that can be in more than one place at a time, and surely no president should be classed as a relic until he has given his place to his successor. Last evening I dined with the New England society of Brooklyn and the hearty welcome extended me, so completely bereft me of thanks to the expressions of pleasure that this free draft on my power finds me utterly bankrupt. I thank you very much for the welcome given me, and can only say, 'Long live you and your society and its promoters.'" Secretary Chandler, in responding to the toast, "The army and navy," paid tributes to General Grant, Sherman and Sheridan, and expressed the hope that "a grateful congress and willing president" would restore the former soldiers to the rolls of the army. Referring to the navy, he spoke strongly of what he termed "complete restoration," with doing away with all ancient ships and smooth-bore guns and substituting steel ships and high power cannon, of which we have not one single specimen to show. Chandler, in the course of his remarks, spoke in praise of the steamers of the American Steamship Company, as being the only line of foreign steamers flying the American flag, whereupon Shortridge, director of the American Steamship Company arose and said the company were negotiating for the sale of its ships, as it could not be made to pay while run under the American flag, but could be under the ensign of Great Britain. This statement was not received with applause.

Lippitt, Leak & Co. are subject to all the mishaps and disappointments that other men are liable to who carry on an extensive business in any department of life. But they were expecting their business to be interrupted by the action of a genuine thief in stealing and appropriating to his own use a portion of their best property shipped to their salesmen of this city, Gayley Beck. The stock and quality of the goods may not be so good as our salesmen may have expected and required by reason of the action of the thief.

Application for Druggists' Permit. Matter of application of Edmond F. Powell, for Druggists' permit.

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ESTRAY NOTICE. Came to my possession in Platt county, four miles east of Genoa, one mile west of Matson P. O. on the Columbus road, on the 16th of November, 1887, a horse, named O. O. BLACK MARE, guessed to be about 12 years old. The right hind leg is either swollen or permanently thick; mare in fair condition. Owner will prove property by charges, and this notice and take the animal away.

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